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Attorney General John Ashcroft
US Department of Justice, 950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
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Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

I am writing to express my views regarding the Microsoft antitrust case. I have always felt that this entire suit has wasted far too much taxpayer funds. I also believe that the company has been treated unfairly in this case, as they are only guilty of acting in the true spirit of free enterprise. As far as I am concerned, Microsoft has done what all ambitious companies should strive to do--create a well-needed product, use unsurpassed marketing strategies to sell the product, and make a profit. No one can argue that Microsoft's extraordinary strides haven't changed the IT industry forever.

In their efforts to come to agreement with an aggressive government and get on with steady production, Microsoft has conceded far beyond obligations that fairness required of them. They have compromised their competitiveness by agreeing to grant their competitors access to internal Windows code, protocols and codes. They have even agreed to have their compliance monitored by an external oversight committee.

All these attempts on Microsoft's part are sure to prevent future antitrust violations. I believe it is a very well organized agreement and everything should be done to formalize it as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Thom Lusardi